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09/885,944

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TOSHINE ET AL.

Examiner

Martin J Angebrannt

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THE REPLY FILED 10 June 2004 FAILS TO PLACE THIS APPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR ALLOWANCE. Therefore, further action by the applicant is required to avoid abandonment of this application. A proper reply to a final rejection under 37 CFR 1.113 may only be either: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114.

PERIOD FOR REPLY [check either a) or b)]

- a) ☒ The period for reply expires seven months from the mailing date of the final rejection.
b) ☐ The period for reply expires on: (1) the mailing date of this Advisory Action, or (2) the date set forth in the final rejection, whichever is later. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of the final rejection.
ONLY CHECK THIS BOX WHEN THE FIRST REPLY WAS FILED WITHIN TWO MONTHS OF THE FINAL REJECTION. See MPEP 706.07(f).

Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a). The date on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. The appropriate extension fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of the shortened statutory period for reply originally set in the final Office action; or (2) as set forth in (b) above, if checked. Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of the final rejection, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

1. ☒ A Notice of Appeal was filed on 10 June 2004. Appellant's Brief must be filed within the period set forth in 37 CFR 1.192(a), or any extension thereof (37 CFR 1.191(d)), to avoid dismissal of the appeal.
2. ☐ The proposed amendment(s) will not be entered because:
(a) ☐ they raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search (see NOTE below);
(b) ☐ they raise the issue of new matter (see Note below);
(c) ☐ they are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal; and/or
(d) ☐ they present additional claims without canceling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims.

NOTE: _____

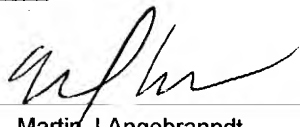
3. ☐ Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s): _____.
4. ☐ Newly proposed or amended claim(s) _____ would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment canceling the non-allowable claim(s).
5. ☒ The a) ☐ affidavit, b) ☐ exhibit, or c) ☒ request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: See Continuation Sheet.
6. ☐ The affidavit or exhibit will NOT be considered because it is not directed SOLELY to issues which were newly raised by the Examiner in the final rejection.
7. ☐ For purposes of Appeal, the proposed amendment(s) a) ☐ will not be entered or b) ☒ will be entered and an explanation of how the new or amended claims would be rejected is provided below or appended.

The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows:

Claim(s) allowed: none.Claim(s) objected to: none.Claim(s) rejected: 1-4 and 7.

Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration: _____.

8. ☐ The drawing correction filed on _____ is a) ☐ approved or b) ☐ disapproved by the Examiner.
9. ☐ Note the attached Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449) Paper No(s). _____.
10. ☐ Other: _____


Martin J Angebrannt
Primary Examiner
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Continuation of 5. does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: The data must be in proper declaration form and commensurate in scope with the coverage sought. The data presented does not mention the solvent used and clearly only alleges to provide a showing of the advantages of an aqueous based adhesive against only one solvent of type of solvent. This raises issues of the breadth of the showing (does it apply to alcohols, ketone, hydrocarbons, etc ?). The examiner notes that any showing would be specific to the volume holographic materials as the swellability of the hologram due to the solvent (water or otherwise) or smaller solvent soluble components of the adhesive layer would be dependent upon their ability to dissolve or their miscability with the materials of the specific holographic recording layer that the adhesive layer is in contact with. Clearly dichromated gelatin or photographic film based holograms which are based upon water soluble binders would be swollen more by aqueous materials than a more hydrophobic holographic layer, such as a photopolymerizable holographic layer formed from a non-aqueous solvent coating. There is also the practical issue of partially dissolving the first applied layer (in this case the adhesive layer) when applying the solvent based coating of a holographic layer. All of these materials are known to form volume holograms as evidenced by the disclosure at column 12, at lines 28-39 of Morii et al. '378. The examiner notes that the reference specifically mentions "aqueous adhesives or water-soluble adhesives" (33/60-61 of Morii et al. '378). The examiner notes that the omnidex material used by Morii et al. '378 may be dissolved in various solvents as disclosed in column 16 at lines 9-19. The rejection stands...

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